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Moore-Pastides promotes Mediterranean cuisine



Keith McGraw

Moore-Pastides demonstrating cooking skills to promote a healthy lifestyle through international cuisine.

Second cookbook praises Mediterranean culinary tradition

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Ever wanted to prevent heart disease and stroke? What about high blood pressure, high cholesterol, asthma, allergies and diabetes? Or maybe breast, colon and prostate cancers?

Patricia Moore-Pastides, the university's first lady, may have the answer: a Mediterranean diet.

Though her own father died of a heart attack in his fifties, Moore-Pastides is optimistic about new research that has shown that a healthy diet can overcome genetic predispositions and help to avert diseases.

"Everything that's affecting Americans, like all these health issues, can be averted, I believe, if we live a healthy style," Moore-Pastides said. "No one's going to change their way of eating if they don't like the way the food tastes, but I knew the foods would

be really good."

Moore-Pastides has a background in public health, but she first got interested in the Mediterranean diet when she and her husband took a sabbatical in Greece in the 1980s.

"I fell in love with that aspect of health, and when we lived in Greece, I really fell in love with the food," Moore-Pastides said. "I had been studying the Mediterranean diet and I knew it was so healthy. It's one of the healthiest diets on the planet."

She was intrigued by the health value of the diet, which included eating more whole grains and beans, more fruits and vegetables, fewer processed foods and consuming meat and seafood in smaller quantities. She also enjoyed studying the culture surrounding the Mediterranean culinary tradition.

"It's not just the foods that are eaten, but it's the way they're eaten. They don't eat in the car, or at their desk. It's like you sit down at the table and eat a leisurely meal with your family and friends and you talk, and you enjoy it, and you take your time," Moore-Pastides said. "It gives more pleasure and more health from something that could otherwise just be a function."

Moore-Pastides had mentioned writing a cookbook several times, but when she and her husband returned to Cyprus she became serious about the endeavor. She spent their second sabbatical testing recipes that she could include.

"The best part of it for me is that I really just love it. It's how I like to live. It's what I believe in," Moore-Pastides said. "It makes me feel like I really have a mission in my life to share this information."

She started writing her first cookbook, "Greek Revival: Cooking for Life," in 2006, and it was published in 2010.

"My vision for the first book," Moore-Pastides said, "was that it would really teach people about the health benefits of the Mediterranean diet, but it would also give really beautiful pictures and delicious recipes that would win them over."

In addition to the recipes, the book includes summaries of studies from as far back as the 1950s that support the health benefits of a Mediterranean diet, though Moore-Pastides took

USCPD identifies suspect in robbery

Pastides announces increased police presence on campus

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USCPD has identified a suspect in the on-campus armed robbery that took place Thursday near the Horseshoe.

Kevin Rick Oneal, 40, was identified as a suspect in the gunpoint robbery, and USCPD has obtained arrest warrants for him. Oneal was identified by USCPD as a 5-foot-6-inch black male weighing approximately 180 pounds.

Oneal's identity came after police reviewed footage from university surveillance cameras located on the Horseshoe and in the South and East Quad dorms.

The bulletin came soon after a statement by University President Harris Pastides, which said an arrest was made in one of the three on-campus incidents, though it was unclear which incident it was connected to.

Pastides addressed the apparent sudden uptake in campus crimes and new measures in the works to ensure safety of students, faculty and staff.

Pastides outlined a number of steps, including increased uniformed and undercover police on campus and a new mobile technology that Pastides promised would "enable [the] community to more easily communicate with USCPD."

Carolina Alerts were issued twice in the past week, both during a developing armed subject case early Sunday morning. The first message alerted students to the potential danger near Russell House, while the second informed students that police had concluded a search and were "unable to locate an individual matching the description."

That incident, one of the three mentioned in the press release, remains unresolved, though Pastides assured students that "we have several experienced investigators and intelligence officers assigned to the cases following every lead and we are working with Crime Stoppers and other local agencies to develop additional leads."

USCPD urges anyone who may have come into contact with the suspect to call 911 or the USC Division of Law Enforcement and Safety at (803) 777-4215.

These latest incidents follow a string of four robberies in the Five Points area between Aug. 3 and 12 in which one or more armed suspects demanded valuables and personal belongings. USCPD crime alerts urged students to make use of university shuttles, to travel by vehicle whenever possible and if a suspicious person is around to seek safety in a well populated area or a building and to immediately call 911.

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How to get the most from Student Rewards

Program offers loyalty points, prizes for attending games

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One week ago at Stone Stadium, 4,505 students combined to form a standing room only crowd for what was essentially a preseason scrimmage for the men's soccer team.

And while the line to get into the game poured out onto Whaley Street at times, it was the line inside of the stadium that drew the biggest crowd as students waited to collect precious loyalty points.

The Gamecock Student Rewards program is behind this points system, offering the chance to increase your odds of getting one of each football game's 10,000 allotted student tickets. And while many are familiar with the concept of this lottery system, many more don't know how to tap into the program's full potential.

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—Patricia Moore-Pastides

care not to make it too clinical, allowing the book to be easily understandable for all readers. Her second book, "Greek Revival from the Garden: Growing and Cooking for Life," was published last year. Since interest for her first book came primarily from middle-aged readers, she wanted her second book to target young people.

This time, she focused on growing vegetables organically, hoping that people would be more interested in trying foods that they grew themselves. Moore-Pastides included information on how to grow vegetables and then how to prepare them.

"I think so many young people are interested in

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IN BRIEF

188 cases compromised in drug lab scandal

The Columbia Police drug analyst implicated in an internal investigation last week resigned Monday, The State reported.

Columbia Police and 5th Circuit Court review found that Brenda Frazier, who reportedly failed to follow standard procedure while performing drug tests, may have participated in over 1,000 cases.

According to Columbia Police Chief Skip Holbrook, Frazier's tests were used as critical evidence in 188 criminal drug cases, cases that may now need to be reviewed. Frazier was the only chemist working in the Columbia Police drug analysis lab during the vast majority of her tenure.

Police drug labs are usually run by at least two chemists, Holbrook said, allowing for in-house peer review and supervision. Frazier initially sought review from other sources, particularly labs from Lexington County, Aiken County, and Orangeburg. When those labs stopped working with Frazier in February, she was not held to any standard. As a result, Frazier's testimonies as to the weight and substance of a drug, key facts in a sentencing, may have been compromised.

— Davis Klabo, Assistant News Editor

CHA announces new lottery for Section-8

The Columbia Housing Authority announced that it will be accepting applications once again for its popular Section-8 housing assistance program, The State reported.

Section-8 functions as a “rental assistance program” for low-income persons and families, using federal funds to help pay for them to rent homes in the private market, according to the program's web page. Participants in the program pay 30 percent of their adjusted gross income for rent and utilities, with the remaining balance paid for by CHA. The program was so popular that its waiting list was closed last year due to over-saturation, and remains closed.

However, CHA is offering interested housing applicants a chance to enter a limited time lottery program to join the program. The lottery begins on Sept. 15 and closes Sept. 19. Applications can only be made online, and will be chosen at random. CHA estimates it could take three to four years to serve all of the 2,000 individuals and families who will be chosen by the lottery.

— Davis Klabo, Assistant News Editor

National Park seeks to control hog population

Congaree National Park managers set out a new proposal Monday for the management of the park's extensive wild hog population, The State reports.

Through an 86-page environmental assessment entitled “Draft Management Plan for Non-native Wild Pigs within Congaree National Park,” the National Park Service officially called for measures to actively control the increasing native environmental damage caused by the invasive hogs. The document related, in detail, the possible environmental effects from two proposed options, either implementing a plan for wild pig management or continuing inactivity and allowing the population to remain unchecked. The management plan, supported by the Park Service, may include increased hunting of the pigs by federal officials, though no public hunting is planned at this time. The plan would cost roughly \$400,000 over two years and an additional \$165,000 the third year, with costs decreasing over time.

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Gamecock Gateway set to expand

More students than ever in third year of academic program

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The Gamecock Gateway program was started in 2012 as an access program that seeks to allow students to easily bridge their education between the Midlands Technical College and the University of South Carolina. Participating students initially take classes solely at MTC but are subject to Columbia campus policies and guidelines, are given housing opportunities in the Roost and Bates House and are allowed access to on-campus amenities like the Thomson Wellness Center and the Strom Thurmond Fitness Center, according to the program's web page. After completing 30 credit hours at MTC, students have the option to transfer to the University of South Carolina's Columbia campus to complete their undergraduate degree.

Gateway is currently only open to South Carolina residents, but the program is looking to expand and start accepting out of state residents next year, according to Gamecock Gateway Director Drew Newton. The expansion comes as the program seeks to maintain pace with the rapidly expanding Columbia campus.

“It's a way to reinforce that the University of South Carolina is the university for South Carolina,” Newton said. “There's never been a better time to be a Gamecock and people in this state want to be with us.”

In its first two years, Gateway has brought 325 total students into the university's system. In 2014, the program welcomed in 328 freshmen onto campus. Though this marks a nearly 100 percent increase, Newton was adamant that the personalization and personality of the program would not be lost.

“Those structures are built because as we get larger, we think that benefits the program because [Gamecock Gateway] better mirrors the experience of a USC freshman,” Newton said. “But, we want to make sure that we honor the fact that our Gateway can be small, so we are giving you a lot more time with program staff.”

The program has shown good success so far, maintaining a retention rate of 86 percent in its first year that climbed to 95 percent in 2013.

“We've learned how our students operate and we learned how to set solid expectations and build a personal relationship where that expectation is reinforced,” Newton said. “We are seeing exceptional success among our students and we don't want to lose that because we got bigger.”

Newton said one of the biggest enjoyments he gets is from seeing former Gateway students walking around campus.

“It's exciting for me to walk around campus and know we have about 500 students on this campus that began or are in Gamecock Gateway,” Newton said. “It is fulfilling for me to walk around campus and see that we are fulfilling Carolina's promise.”

While students in Gamecock Gateway don't start taking classes on campus, Newton said that they are just like those freshmen with the same fears and same excitement.

“Our students may be in a program that's different by name,” Newton said, “but their experience is no different from other freshmen and they are just as much a Gamecock as anyone else that received that ‘Yes!’ packet back in March.”

According to Newton, Gamecock Gateway is hoping to admit around 350 to the program in 2015.

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having a healthy food supply and not eating a lot of processed foods and being a little reluctant about the commercially raised meat,” Moore-Pastides said. “If we can get people growing vegetables then they'll really want to eat more of them.”

Her second book is already in its second printing and has won several awards. It was awarded the 2014 Hoffer Award in the Home category over the summer, an award designed to recognize the “independent spirit of small publishers,” and was also named a finalist in the 2014 International Book Awards.

Moore-Pastides attributes the success of her books to individuals' recent tendency to seek out healthier foods as well as the surprising lack of Greek cookbooks. Her books provide more traditional, less westernized versions of the recipes made popular at Greek restaurants and Greek festivals.


“I think they've been successful because people are very concerned about their health and you see a lot of people now thinking about what they're eating. I think both of these books are sort of tools for people for healthy living,” Moore-Pastides said.

When she's not writing cookbooks or visiting her newest grandchild, Moore-Pastides is typically teaching cooking classes at the McCutchen House or Columbia's Cooking. She also travels around the state talking about eating well. She gives 30 to 50 presentations each year to sororities, rotary clubs, garden clubs or whoever else requests her to speak.


“They're thinking they don't need a cookbook,” Moore-Pastides said, “but at the end of the presentation they're buying not only one book, but buying three because they think of two other people that could really use it.”

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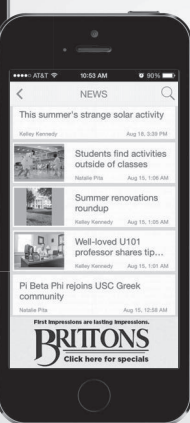

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USC’s Gamecock Gateway too inclusive

ISSUE
Out-of-state students will be part of bridge program.

OUR STANCE
Gateway program better benefits in-state students.

It’s great to be a Gamecock, but has the university stretched themselves too far to include everyone in this big USC family? Freshmen who may not have otherwise been admitted to USC due to academic reasons have a chance to transfer after one academic year through the Gamecock Gateway program. The majority of students that enter this program complete it successfully and enjoy their sophomore year on the Columbia campus.

Currently, this program is only open to South Carolina residents. However, by next year, it will be open to out-of-state students. The benefits of this inclusion are questionable at best.

It’s true that Gateway students get a tuition cut; students pay a little less than \$4,000 per semester for the program and housing whereas in-state tuition for USC is upwards of four times that cost. But if trends hold true, tuition will most likely be higher for those attending out-of-state than South Carolina students. While a rejection can be devastating, there are other options closer to home that don’t require the expenses of going out-of-state, only to possibly transfer a year later.

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It is confusing as to why out-of-state students would want to go through the hurdles of this particular program, when there are most likely other similar programs in their own state.

The program makes sense for South Carolina students because USC is a state institution and it should be welcoming to and inclusive of its own community. The Gateway program has a 95 percent success rate, and clearly those students are working hard to make the most of their academic opportunity. However, the university already has a 60.6 percent acceptance rate, which is comparatively open. While we are happy to bring students into the Gamecock family, by opening up the admissions even further to include out-of-state students in the Gateway program, we are undermining the integrity of the students that are already here. While it may be great, not everyone can be a Gamecock.



Dining Options on campus too limited on weekends

Students should get what they paid for every day of the week

After two years of attending this university, I consider myself fairly settled down and knowledgeable of the campus. I could find all my classes the first day without walking to them beforehand, I’ve found all my favorite nooks and crannies in which to study and I can even navigate all the floors of the library.

What I still need to constantly check, however, is the dining schedule here on campus. The hours of operation are all fairly standard Monday through Thursday. But as soon as the weekend rolls around, the dining schedule becomes not only impossible to remember, but impossible to work with.

After a long week of classes, I’m always unpleasantly surprised that I can’t celebrate with any of my favorite dinners: pizza at Pandini’s? Nope. A wrap at Café Verde? Nada. How about Honeycomb or Woodstock? Again, no. Most dining options close around 3 p.m. at the latest on Friday and don’t reopen until 4 or 5 p.m. on Sunday. In fact, out of the 28 dining options listed on the university’s website, a slim seven are open at all on Saturday. And if you prefer not to eat fast food, you’re really limited to only Grand Market Place, Gibbes Court Bistro, Bates and Einstein’s.

For those students like myself who prefer to have a meal plan rather than cooking at home (because, let’s be honest, ramen and Easy Mac get old fast), the minimum that you have to pay is \$781 per semester. Those growing guys and gals that prefer three meals per day end up spending \$1,575. Freshmen living on campus don’t even have the luxury of choice; they are required by the university to have at least a 10 Meal Plan, which burns another \$1,310 in their pockets.

However, when on-campus options are slim, students are often forced off-campus. And while several restaurants are now accepting Carolina Cash, that does not fix the problem. I love Moe’s as much as the next person, and I am more than willing to spend my money there, but in the back of my mind I know that I’m wasting a perfectly good meal swipe. So not only am I throwing away perfectly good money, but I’m spending more on top of it.

I realize that the dining employees deserve breaks during the weekend, especially after the hoard of students that flood the dining halls during the week. However, I am not asking that everything be open all the time at the whim of the students on campus — goodness knows we would, and do, all gladly snack around 3 a.m. — and it is impossible to ask the employees to dedicate their entire day to the dining operations. But for the money that we are spending on dining services, we deserve more weekend options.

Expectations for Clinton hasty

Don’t count presidential chickens before they hatch

It is hard to remember how different the world was back in January. ISIS was still plotting its emergence. Putin was hammering out the fine points of annexing Ukrainian territory. The only people concerned with the activities of Malaysia Airlines were people planning on visiting Malaysia. To most Americans, the Ebola virus was one of those figurative diseases that happened “somewhere else.” Israel and Hamas were at their “regular” level of hostilities.

The only unchanging through-line between now and then is, sorry to say, the press’ absolute certainty that Hillary Clinton will become the Democratic challenger for the presidency two years from now.

It isn’t easy to respond to that kind of hive-mind chatter without diving into the prediction game oneself. “If Clinton won’t be president,”

“There are a number of past examples that warn against giving hostages to fortune in presidential races.”

the reply goes, “who will?” Everyone who feels confident enough to predict the outcome of that election (and before the midterms have started, at that) is posing as either Nostradamus or Nate Silver. (Just a reminder:

the former has been dead for nearly 500 years, and the latter isn’t placing any bets right now.) There are a number of past examples that warn against giving hostages to fortune in presidential races.

The first example comes from Hillary’s first bid for office. Remember when the Iowa Caucus was sure to be the party’s first heroine against John Edwards (he of expensive haircuts, large houses and career-destroying companions?) Sure, Obama had a few speeches under his belt and was a senator from neighboring Illinois, but surely he wouldn’t be too big of a problem, right?

And when Obama surpassed Clinton, who finished in an unexpected third place in that primary and traipsed off to New Hampshire, he (and, more importantly, everyone else) was absolutely sure that the “bump” from Iowa would propel him to victory there too.

Wrong again, as it turned out. Clinton successfully secured the first place finish there and went on to raise hell in one of the most mean-spirited campaigns in recent history. And then? She went on to become Obama’s secretary of state. (Who could have possibly predicted that?)

And we all remember how Ed Muskie, the 1972 Democratic presidential front-runner and presumed nominee, barreled

through the primary to beat Nixon?

You get the point by now, but for the record: Muskie’s campaign ended in ignominy as he stood awkwardly in front of reporters in the back of a pickup truck, bawling his eyes out. He would stumble on into the later contests, but only with the help of Brazilian imported stimulants (according to Hunter S. Thompson) and his soon-to-be-discredited party boss friends.

Back to 2016: Hillary has a lot going for her, there’s no doubt about that. The hilarious January New York Times photo illustration with her face crudely graphed onto a planet (her “henchmen” are depicted as asteroids and moons,) is only kind of a joke. Right now, as presumed heir-apparent to the Obama machine’s online cash-vacuum, she certainly won’t be hurting for money. Her gravitational pull as “presumptive” will have superdelegates lifted off their feet and into her hands in no time. And yet ...

The general gist is this: avoid calling anything too early lest your own words romp on back from the past to bite you.

And while I have strong doubts that Brazilian Ibogaine or embarrassing weeping fits will take a prominent part in the Clinton 2016 run: hey, you never know.



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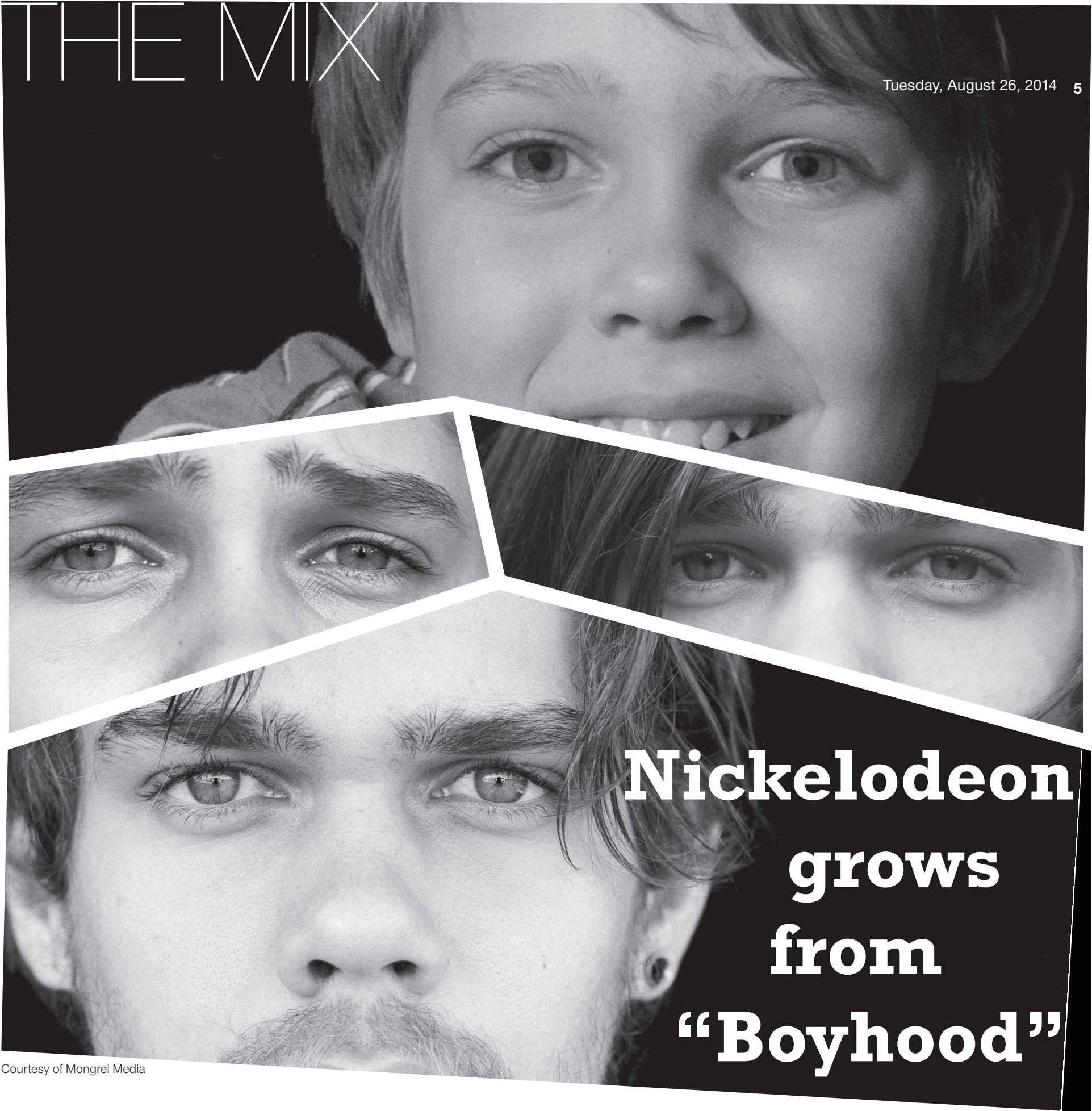
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Richard Linklater movie follows growth of child, his family

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If you haven't seen Richard Linklater's latest film in theaters, don't worry, "Boyhood" won't grow old on you just yet. The Nickelodeon will be extending showings of the movie for at least another two weeks.

"We'll have it showing definitely until September fourth," Kristin Morris, marketing manager at Nickelodeon Theatre, said. With such a great turnout, the Nickelodeon is obliging the will of film fans everywhere.

"It's been really well-received nationally with really great reviews," Morris said. "We had high hopes that it would do well but for it to continue to do so well was a little bit of a surprise."

What makes the film such a unique spectacle? The fact that it took over a decade to create makes it more of an awesome project rather than a planned feature film.

"There's not been a film that's been made like it yet," Morris said. "Richard Linklater taking 12 years using the same actors over that time period is really amazing."

"Boyhood" might also be doing so well because of it's lure for young people who are just starting to see films in a more serious way. Linklater's latest can serve as a time capsule, conjuring brief totems of the best in music, movies, books and television over the past 12 years. As a young boy, Mason, the protagonist, watches Dragon Ball Z, dresses up for Harry Potter midnight releases and covers his ears screaming when his sister mimics Britney Spears. The film not only breeds nostalgia for these commodities, but digs up the original feelings of them as well. Thus, the film is especially sympathetic to today's crop of college students.

"I think a lot of young people identify with that life transition," Morris said. "So much of the film is about the main character's growing up into being an adult and having what is an accessible experience to a lot of people. I think it definitely resonates in a college town like ours."

The timing of the Nickelodeon's release of "Boyhood" has incidentally

coincided with the return of students to campus, as well as the advent of the Hub on Main Street, giving the Nickelodeon a whole new market of potentially movie-going neighbors.

"I definitely think that at our later shows there have been a lot more students coming which is great," Morris said. "We're really excited to have a lot more people living on Main Street coming to see us and coming to other businesses."

Make no mistake, the audiences for "Boyhood" have included much more than college students. The film deals profoundly with the older family members around the main character, perhaps even shedding more light on their experiences than on the child himself. "Boyhood" is the symbiosis between old and young generations, making it an important film at a time when both Columbia and the Nickelodeon are trying to foster relationships between the older world of Main Street and young, university students.

"Our audience here is very diverse in age, socioeconomic, race and cultural aspects and this film appeals

to a broad range of people," Morris said. "I think we're hopefully getting some new young students who are seeing us for the first time but we still have a really broad audience of people who are different and who come and enjoy the films as well."

The extension does reveal a sign of success, for both the film and the Nickelodeon although it does mean that the people of the Nickelodeon have to rework their calendar.

"This past year our attendance has grown so much and we've had to extend several films," Morris said. "The Grand Budapest Hotel' earlier this spring, which we've extended four or five times, was really great. We have a relationship with the distribution company that releases each film and we communicate with them and they sort of determine how long we keep the films just depending on how the attendance is. It probably wasn't as frequent for the organization in years previous but we've been growing and growing."

On the off chance you are immune to the charms of "Boyhood", due to continued growth the Nickelodeon

will soon be able to show multiple films at once.

"One of the reasons we extend the film too is we only have one theater and it's a 99-seat theater," Morris said. "Later on this fall we plan to start construction on our second theater which will be upstairs and will be bigger. We'll be able to have more flexibility in the films that we show and show more films. A lot of our patrons want to come and see us once every couple of weeks but when we're just showing the same film over and over they can only come once a month."

While the folks at the Nickelodeon want to remain loyal to those regular visitors, the extended showings and full audiences have kept the staff fresh and adaptable.

"We're kind of used to [extending shows] now so it's not a problem, just something we learn to live with. It's kind of exciting when things aren't set in stone for us."



Patricia Arquette plays a mother of the twenty-first century, reading Harry Potter to her children until they fall asleep.

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Aries

Restrictions get imposed. Follow the rules rigorously, especially with love. Beef up your infrastructure to get a job done. Listen for the gold. Charm a skeptic. Watch for accidents, physically or financially. Save up for something special.

Taurus

Get sucked into a game. Heed the voice of experience. Establish the rules and explain carefully. Grab an opportunity to advance. Solid information is forthcoming. Bring fantasies back down to earth. Exercise can boost morale.

Gemini

Expect construction in your immediate neighborhood. Get the family to help. You're energized by a vision. Ask for what you've been promised. Refinish an antique rather than buy new. Replace something that's broken.

Cancer

An older person offers help. Don't shop now. You're very persuasive now. Study an idea that could lead to new income. Follow a well-thought-out plan. Ignore a thoughtless remark. Wait for the right moment.

Leo

Build a better mousetrap, and profits roll in. Be practical, not whimsical. Don't spend all your money on toys. Organize records and papers. Do a job yourself and get more for less. Share resources.

Virgo

With discipline and teamwork, you can move mountains. Seek support from a mentor. Begin a new business push. Breathe deep and hold your tongue to avoid arguments during chaotic moments. Heed a wise friend's advice.

Libra

Make meditation your business today and tomorrow. Provide inspiration to your team. Your partner adds the finishing touches. Develop your schedule, for more structure. Find out what's really required. Ignore naysayers.

Scorpio

Luckily, you have energy in reserve. A new connection presents an interesting opportunity. Increase your efficiency. Find a way around bothersome regulations. Associates help with the budget. Join forces with someone practical.

Sagittarius

Work takes precedence. Call for reinforcements, if you need them. Leave your money in the bank. Verify connections, and double-check the facts. Resist the temptation to play hooky. Your efforts contribute to success.

Capricorn

A disciplinarian keeps you on track. Discuss possibilities and dreams. Propose a change, gently. A partner is ready to dance. Line up long distance gigs. You're gaining influence with an important person.

Aquarius

Come up with a more efficient way to get the job done. An older individual has a good suggestion. Streamline your routine. Let a professional do an unwanted chore. Infrastructural investments pay dividends later.

Pisces

Get down to the business of negotiating. An older person adds color and texture to the plan. Consider the consequences before signing. Spend on efficiency now and save over the long run.



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ACROSS

1 Jon of "Mad Men"

5 Knight fights

11 Roll of dough

14 Slangy prefix meaning "super"

15 Oust from office

16 Ornamental climbing plant

17 Roller coaster feature

18 Batter's position

19 Anonymous John

20 One completely lacking morals

23 Small batteries

24 Sound preceding "Oof!"

25 2009 Will Ferrell dinosaur movie

32 Vaudeville show

33 Landlord's contract

34 Paid athlete

36 "___ it now": "Understood"

37 Writer H.H. or Alice

38 Security breach

39 Place for pickups

40 They may be cracked using stethoscopes

41 Abacus pieces

42 Woman with varying roles in Arthurian legend

45 ___ guzzler

46 Indian bread

47 What exacting judges follow

55 ___ Mahal

56 Political fugitive

57 Delude

58 Big fuss

59 Singer Bette

60 Team on a farm

61 Alphabet ender

62 Animals for 5-Across

63 Call to a queue

DOWN

1 Boat's bottom

2 "Peek-___!"

3 Siamese sound

4 Longtime logo with a top hat and monocle

5 Exactly right

6 Suspicious of

7 Defense gp. with pilots

8 Mailed

9 Gadget measuring rpm

10 Church high point

11 Hairline's midpoint, perhaps

12 Swear

13 Change the color of, as hair

21 "Smooth Operator" singer

22 Lav in Leeds

25 Word before pad or tender

26 Common man with a six-pack?

27 Plump (up)

28 Basic principle

29 Severe

30 That, in Tijuana

31 Swap

32 You might brush barbecue sauce on one

35 Approves

37 "Little Red Book" writer

38 Used for support

40 Gamblers' methods

41 Dull

43 "Who ___?": New Orleans Saints' fans chant

44 Keys in

7

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47 Stow below

48 Give off

49 Disney World's Space Mountain, e.g.

50 Leer at

51 Wilma Flintstone's guy

52 Opulence

53 Highest point

54 "What ___ wrong?"

55 Looney Tunes devil, casually

Men’s soccer prepares for season



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Senior Mahamoudou Kaba earned a spot on the All-Conference USA team last season. He begins this campaign as the preseason pick for C-USA Defensive Player of the Year.

Returning starters look to combine with new talent in 2014 for Berson’s Gamecocks

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For the Gamecock men’s soccer team to achieve its goals this season, it must overcome quite a few injuries to key players. Familiar faces like junior midfielders Ryan Arambula and Devin L’Amoreaux have not played at all this preseason, but are hoping they won’t miss too much of the regular season. Arambula had surgery on his feet according to South Carolina head coach Mark Berson while L’Amoreaux is still battling a quad injury. The back line of defense is also experiencing some pain with redshirt junior goalkeeper Robert Beebe set to miss extended time after getting an operation on his elbow. In Beebe’s place for the time being stands sophomore Marco Velez, who Berson said has played “outstanding” in the preseason. Velez gained significant experience filling in for an injured Beebe at the beginning of last season. The sophomore started in 15 of his 17 appearances last year and recorded four shutouts on his way to being named to the Conference USA All-Freshman Team. Berson said the biggest loss of the season is to junior forward Kevin Walker who the Gamecocks signed from junior college at Cincinnati State. Walker broke his neck in the early stages of preseason after going up for a header and landing awkwardly. He

had surgery on his neck that went well according to Berson, but will miss the entire season and receive a medical redshirt. Even with all of the injured Gamecocks, Berson still thinks his team is pretty much on schedule. “I think we would obviously prefer that we didn’t have two losses and a draw, but the performances have been good,” he said. “We’ve had the chance to look at a lot of players through these games, so the results aren’t really the number one goal going through these scrimmages.” Berson said the biggest thing the Gamecocks need to work on is the errors on defense, pointing to the five goals they allowed in three exhibition matches. He added that the mistakes can be easily corrected with help from some of the more experienced players on the Gamecock defense. Senior center backs Braeden Troyer and Mahamoudou Kaba continue to perform well at the middle of the defense while sophomore Ive Burnett returns to hold down his position at left back. Kaba will bear some of the biggest expectations of any Gamecock this season, following his All-Conference USA performance in 2013. Before the start of the season he was picked by the C-USA coaches as the preseason Defensive Player of the Year. However, the position of right back has been the weak link thus far and a clear starter has not been determined yet. Among those vying for the spot includes freshmen Martin Ramos and Trevor Baum as well as junior Reid Grayson. Berson thinks that as long as the defense keeps

striving to improve, it will move past the early season blunders. Additionally, South Carolina will look for a player to replace last year’s starting forward J.P. Rafferty and Berson said sophomore Mikkel Knudsen will likely step in to that role. Knudsen’s home country is Denmark where he led its U-19 league in goals during the 2011-12 season with 12 tallies while scoring 16 goals in the 2010-11 campaign. Berson has been mixing and matching to see who will play up top with Knudsen and the candidates right now are senior Asa Kryst along with junior Jeff Torda and sophomore Eli Dent. Despite the injuries, the goal of winning their conference and contending for an NCAA Tournament bid has not changed for the Gamecocks. Berson said it’s still very realistic. “We do need to get some people back and I think we will, but that’s just one of the things that sometimes you have to deal with,” he said. “It’s a shame to lose Kevin for the year, he’s an outstanding forward with great talent, but hopefully some of the other guys will be coming back and they’ll give us a big boost.” Berson wanted to add that he and his team really appreciated the support that the fans gave them during the exhibition match against Elon. “I don’t think in my 37 years have I ever seen a crowd like the one against Elon,” he said. “It meant so much to us and I hope we can get a huge crowd again for the men and women’s doubleheader this Friday.”

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REWARDS • Continued from 1

“The same points work for both sets, so if you attend athletic events you earn a loyalty point. Loyalty points, of course help you get football tickets,” USC Athletics’ Director of Marketing Josh Waters said. “But they also help you with those rewards. Rewards range from Under Armour caps to backpacks, polos, you know, all those prizes.” In order to make these rewards more tangible, Gamecock Student Rewards has introduced a new app this year. Available through the App Store or Google Play, students can use it to keep track of their progress and find out when the next point-getting opportunity on campus may arise. As of last year, when non-revenue sports were included, students attending any South Carolina athletic event can receive one loyalty point. That could go a long way in explaining last week’s massive turnout at Stone Stadium as students vie for a ticket to the football team’s season opener against Texas A&M. But going to the games of USC’s non-revenue teams (i.e. men’s soccer) isn’t the only way to rack up points. Simply requesting a ticket for revenue sports such as football, baseball and men’s or women’s basketball will earn you a point. And if you do find yourself with a football ticket, staying until the end of the game could help you get into the next game as well. “That was something we heard last year when we had some early exiting people at games, in the fourth quarter,” Waters said. “The things that



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Students have the chance to earn loyalty points at games, pep rallies and other events.

we heard from students are: ‘We would love to get loyalty points.’ You’re going to get that.” This incentive for sticking it out for the entire football game was implemented last year after head coach Steve Spurrier criticized the student section for its tendency to thin out as the game wore on. Students will see promotions like this carry over into this year. According to Waters, vouchers will be handed out to those that remained for the duration of the game, and students can redeem those on Greene Street the following week. Another one of the obstacles for late-game attendance last year was the sun. After baking in Columbia’s famous heat for three quarters, many students headed back to the safety of their air conditioned rooms. Gamecock Student Rewards is trying to combat that by reducing drink prices once the fourth quarter hits,

offering bottled water for a dollar in the final 15 minutes of the game. At its core, the rewards program is about the students, and Waters has recognized that fact by tapping into some of the most influential Gamecocks USC has to offer. Student Body President Lindsay Richardson and her Secretary of Athletics Austin Solheim have been in contact with Waters in order to hash out which incentives will draw students out of their dorms and into South Carolina’s athletic venues. The two have teamed up this year to form the Student Gamecock Club, charging students an entry fee of \$35 in exchange for membership, three loyalty points, tours of athletics facilities and more. One of Richardson’s projects this year has been the introduction of Friday pep rallies. These would take place on Greene Street before SEC

games and offer students that attend another shot at loyalty points. The rewards program tends to work great for new USC students that are looking for any chance to get their first taste of Gamecock football at Williams-Brice Stadium, but the luster tends to wear off as the years go by. “I think it’s also a worthy conversation to start about the upperclassmen,” Richardson said. “Also something I think we should probably start making our upperclassmen aware of is that they might be beaten in loyalty points at all these events that the freshmen are going to.” According to Waters’ calculations, out of all the students that swiped their CarolinaCard last week at Stone Stadium, around 61 percent of those were freshmen. As of Monday morning, student tickets for the football team’s season opener have been doled out, leaving many ecstatic and many others devastated. But Waters’ message to students is not to give up on collecting loyalty points, because in the current state of South Carolina football, big games are always just around the corner. “The more points you have the better,” Waters said. “Let’s say you don’t get a Texas A&M ticket. I wish we could get them in, but in two weeks after that we play Georgia. So between now and Georgia, if a freshman or any student goes to soccer or volleyball, they’re really going to build up their points.”

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